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Re: Intrastate Access Rate Reform

To Carriers Affected by the FCC's Intrastate Access Reform Requirements:

On April 20, 2012, the Staff of the Commission submitted a memorandum to the Commission noting various requirements created by the FCC in its Connect America Fund Order and recommending a process for addressing those requirements. That memorandum is attached to this letter. In brief, Staff requested that the Commission, pursuant to its authority under RSA 365:5, open a docket and issue an order establishing a timeframe for the production of certain information necessary to review changes to carriers' intrastate switched access rates as required by the FCC.

In that the FCC has mandated that carriers make changes to their intrastate rates to be effective on July 1, 2012, and that Staff and the Commission need sufficient time to review the proposed changes, the Commission has determined that setting a timeframe for providing the necessary information is advisable. Accordingly, the Commission has accepted Staff's recommendation and concluded that carriers must provide the information described by Staff by the deadlines noted in Staff's memorandum. The Commission will open dockets on the carriers' submissions as they are provided.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

Attachment